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Department of Interior

Agency description:

The Department of the Interior (Interior) oversees the protection of natural and cultural resources, and

Website:

www.doi.gov

Enabling Statute:

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Key issues:

Climate change; land conservation; renewable energy; clean-energy; Native American communities; w

Sub-agencies:

Bureau of Indian Affairs; Bureau of Land Management; Bureau of Reclamation; Fish and Wildlife Servic

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Bureau of Indian Affairs

Agency description:

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) manages land and sub-surface minerals held in trust for Native Ame

Website:

www.bia.gov

Key issues:

Energy and economic development; education; self-governance; land consolidation.

Bureau of Land Management

Agency description:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) oversees the management of a variety of natural resources

Website:

www.blm.gov

Key issues:

Abandoned mines; filming on public lands; noxious weeds; rights-of-way; cultural and paleontological s

Bureau of Reclamation

Agency description:

The Bureau of Reclamation constructed dams in the western United States and is the largest provider o

Website:

www.usbr.gov

Key issues:

Dam safety; drought management; hydropower operation and research; irrigation; rural water supply; w

Fish and Wildlife Service

Agency description:

The Fish and Wildlife Service oversees the conservation and protection of fish and wildlife.

Website:

www.fws.gov

Key issues:

Fire management; hunting; fisheries; invasive species; migratory birds; permits.

U.S. Geological Survey

Agency description:

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) is a scientific agency that provides information about ecosystems,

Website:

www.usgs.gov

Key issues:

Maps and aerial photographs; earthquakes; tsunamis; volcanoes; floods; landslides.

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement

Agency description:

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement oversees energy resources c

Website:

www.boemre.gov

Key issues:

Deep Water Horizon oil spill; off-shore drilling; off-shore wind energy.

National Interagency Fire Center

Agency description:

The National Interagency Fire Center manages logistical support for major fire events.

Website:

www.nifc.gov

Key issues:

Forest fires; brush fires; fire prevention and education; fire shelters.

National Park Service

Agency description:

The National Park Service manages federally-owned parks around the nation.

Website:

www.nps.gov

Key issues:

Tourism; education; conservation.

Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation, and Enforcement

Agency description:

The Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation, and Enforcement regulates the adverse effects of coal mini

Website:

www.osmre.gov

Key issues:

Reclamation of abandoned mines; dam safety; reforestation.